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SUBJECT: CGT CONGRESS

- 1. CGT EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS BEING HELD JULY 10 TO ADJUST CGT STATUTES TO COMPLY WITH PROVISIONS OF NEW LAW OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS. MOST IMPORTANT CHANGE WILL BE EXTENSION OF OFFICERS' TERM OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS. ONLY CONTROVERSIAL ISSUE WHICH IS NOT CERTAIN OF ADOPTION IS ARTICLE PERMITTING CGT TO INTERVENE NATIONAL UNIONS.
- 2. ORDINARY CONGRESS TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS TO BE HELD JULY 11. PRESIDENT ISABEL PERON HAS PUBLICLY EXPRESSED HER DESIRE THAT THE INCUMBENT BOARD BE RE-ELECTED; HOWEVER, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT HER DESIRES WILL BE FULLY COMPLIED WITH. WITH DEATH PERON, POWER PLAY HAS DEVELOPED WITHIN CGT. METAL WORKERS (UOM) AND 62 ORGANIZATIONS HEAD LORENZO MIGUEL IS MAKING STRONG BID TO WREST CONTROL FROM INCUMBENT LEADERSHIP. CGT OFFICIAL ADVISED LABATT MORNING JULY 10 THAT SITUATION WAS "VERY DIFFICULT", AND THAT IT WAS STILL UNCERTAIN WHETHER THERE WOULD BE TWO OPPOSING SLATES OF CANDIDATES OR A COMPROMISE WOULD BE REACHED PERMITTING A SINGLE SLATE. ODDS FAVOR A COMPROMISE SLATE WHICH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WOULD PUBLICLY PRESERVE THE CGT UNITY, AT LEAST ON THE SURFACE.

THERE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE SOME CHANGES IN THE DIRECTIVE COUNCIL, BUT THE EXTENT OF THOSE CHANGES IS STILL BEING HEATEDLY CONTENDED. REGARDLESS OF THE OUTCOME, THE CGT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL WILL STILL BE FIRMLY WITHIN THE ORTHODOX PERONIST CAMP. HILL

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